Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 29 Oct 2020 until 23:59 on Friday 30 Oct 2020

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 28 Oct 2020 at 15:45 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for very unsettled and windy spell of weather, with Friday looking the best day, but lower for timings of the various bands of rain expected to affect the area.

Headline for Thursday 29 Oct 2020: Sunny start but cloud increasing with afternoon rain. Windy.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 29 Oct 2020

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sleet	Clear night	Clear night	Sunny	Cloudy	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
10%	<05%	<05%	<05%	30%	70%	90%	40%

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Weather: Any evening showers, wintry above about 900m, dying out then a mainly clear night. A sunny start to the morning but cloud increasing bringing outbreaks of rain, perhaps preceded briefly by some sleet or wet snow on highest summits, for the afternoon, these occasionally heavy to the south of the Plateau during the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 100% through the morning. However chances fall to 40% north of the plateau during the afternoon with cloud becoming occasional or periods above 700m, but near zero in the south with cloud here more persistent above 600m with patches below.

Visibility: Very good or excellent falling to several kilometres in rain and any summit snow

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	32/44 W	30/41 W	26/36 SW	23/31 S	25/34 SE	29/40 SE	26/35 S	34/48 S	37/53 SW
900	30/38 SW	28/36 SW	25/32 SW	23/30 S	23/32 S	29/39 SE	25/34 S	33/44 S	34/46 SW
600	19/28 SW	19/28 SW	17/25 SW	15/24 S	18/28 S	14/24 SE	11/17 S	21/33 S	22/34 SW
300	9/22 SW	10/24 SW	7/19 SW	5/14 SW	5/13 SW	6/13 W	6/12 SW	8/19 SW	11/26 SW
Glen	4/20 SW	4/21 SW	4/19 SW	4/16 S	5/17 S	4/14 S	4/15 S	5/22 S	4/21 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-1/-10	-1/-10	-2/-10	-2/-10	-1/-8	0/-8	2/-5	4/-3	5/-2
900	2/-5	2/-5	1/-5	2/-4	4/-1	6/-0	7/2	8/2	8/3
600	4/-1	4/-1	4/-1	4/0	6/2	6/3	8/6	10/6	10/6
300	5/2	5/2	5/2	5/3	6/5	7/5	7/5	9/7	11/8
Glen	5/3	5/3	4/2	5/3	8/6	8/7	9/7	10/8	11/9
Freezing Level*	1200m	1100m	1100m	1000m	1600m	2100m	2400m	2600m	2500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Gusts around 60mph possible over ridges and summits during the evening.

Forecast for Friday 30 Oct 2020
Weather: Rather cloudy with patchy light rain through the early hours. The cloud breaking soon after dawn with sunny spells developing and, especially through the morning and early afternoon, one or two showers. Mainly dry and clear through the evening.

Maximum wind: Westerly 25-30mph, with gusts around 50mph until mid-morning gradually backing southwesterly and easing 10-15mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Around 75% through the morning with occasional cloud above 750m improving close to 100% through the afternoon with little or no cloud below summits by mid-afternoon.

Visibility: Very good, falling to several kilometres in rain and showers

Temperature: **Glens:** Around plus 6 Celsius rising to plus 13 Celsius by day
At 800m: Plus 9 Celsius falling to plus 2 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits falling to 1300m

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